## Amendments to the Specification

On the first page of the application, please amend the first two paragraphs as follows:

This application is a divisional application of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/322,521, filed May 28, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,681,220, issued January 20, 2004, entitled "Reduction And Optimization Of Information Processing Systems," which is hereby incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.

This Application relates to the commonly assigned U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/322,205, filed May 28, 1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,662,206 B1, issued December 9, 2003, filed concurrently with the parent noted above, and entitled "Method And Apparatus For Summarizing Missing Events Using Event Stream Interpretation," which Application is also incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.